

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for remotely enhancing a picture archiving and communication system, said method comprising:
- establishing a network connection with a web-based server;
- periodically providing software for installation to a picture archiving and communication system workstation;
- directing the web-based server to simultaneously install the software to a plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations in communication with the web-based server; and
- simultaneously installing software to the plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said directing step comprises instructing the server to install at least one software update to the plurality of workstations.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said establishing step comprises logging on to a web server and authenticating a user.
4. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising sending an indication message to the remote terminal to indicate whether the software installation was successful.

5. (Previously Presented) A method for remotely monitoring a picture archiving and communication system, said method comprising:

establishing a network connection with a web-based server;

directing the web-based server to retrieve data from at least one file from at least one of a plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations in communication with the web-based server, the data including a log;

retrieving the data from the at least one file;

transmitting the data to a remote terminal; and

analyzing the data for an error indicator.

6. (Original) The method of claim 5 wherein said retrieving step comprises extracting the at least one file for analysis at the remote terminal.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6 wherein said extracting step comprises extracting at least one log file.

8. (Original) The method of claim 6 wherein said extracting step comprises extracting at least one image file.

9. (Original) The method of claim 5 wherein said directing step comprises directing a search of files for a predetermined message in at least one of the plurality of workstations.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9 wherein said directing step comprises directing a search of files for an error indicator in at least one of the plurality of workstations.

11. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for remotely enhancing a picture archiving and communication system comprising:

a remote first terminal in communication with a web-based server via an Internet connection, said remote first terminal comprising a remote signal, said remote first terminal remotely monitoring a picture archiving and communication system workstation to determine said remote signal;

a plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations connected to said web-based server; and

said web-based server comprising an installer for simultaneously installing software to said plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations responsive to said remote signal.

12. (Original) The apparatus of claim 11 wherein said first workstation comprises the remote signal for instructing said web-based server to install software to said plurality of second workstations.

13. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 11 wherein said web-based server comprises an installer for simultaneously installing software updates for pre-existing software to said plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations.

14. (Previously Presented) An apparatus for remotely monitoring a picture archiving and communication system comprising:

a remote first terminal in communication with a web-based server via a network connection, said remote first terminal comprising a remote signal;

a plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations connected to said web-based server; and

said web-based server comprising a data retriever for retrieving data from at least one of said plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations responsive to said remote signal, said web-based server allowing remote correction of an error at at least one of said plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations.

15. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 14 wherein said web-based server comprises said data retriever for retrieving log files from at least one of said plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations responsive to said remote signal.

16. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 14 wherein said web-based server comprises said data retriever for retrieving image files from at least one of said plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations responsive to said remote signal.

17. (Previously Presented) A method for remotely monitoring a picture archiving and communication system, said method comprising:

connecting to a web-based server on a network;

instructing the web-based server to extract log data from at least one of a plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations in communication with the web-based server;

transmitting the log data to a remote terminal for error analysis; and

remotely correcting an error.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, further comprising extracting at least one image file from at least one of the plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations.

19. (Previously Presented) A method for remotely enhancing a picture archiving and communication system, said method comprising:

connecting to a web-based server on a network;

instructing the web-based server to update software on a plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations in communication with the web-based server;

simultaneously updating software on the plurality of picture archiving and communication system workstations.

20. (Previously Presented)

The method of claim 19, further comprising

logging on to the web-based server and authenticating a user.